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Please amend the application as set forth below and consider the following remarks.

**In the specification:**

Please add the following paragraph on page 1, line 7, above the paragraph labelled "FIELD OF INVENTION."

**--FEDERALLY SPONSORED RESEARCH OR DEVELOPMENT**

A<sub>1</sub>  
The U.S. Government may have certain rights in this invention pursuant to NSF Grant No. NCR 95-08274 awarded by the National Science Foundation.--

Please amend the paragraph beginning on page 2, line 12, to read as follows:

A<sub>2</sub>  
--The computer-implemented display also includes a design interface [~~though~~through] through which the designer interactively manipulates values of the design variables so as to control the performance attributes. Because of its intuitive nature, the design interface preferably includes an adjustable slider or scroll box in which movement of the scroll box or slider changes the value of the design variable. Alternatively, or in addition to the adjustable slider or scroll box, the design interface can include a text box or field into which the designer can enter a numerical value for the design variable. The text box or field is particularly useful when the value of a design variable needs to be changed by an amount that would require infinitesimal motion of the slider.--

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